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| OBJECT NAME     | Sculpture   |
| DATE CREATED    | 2007  |
| MEASUREMENTS    | 45.72 cm. H x 24.13 cm. Diameter, Item (Overall)        |
| MATERIAL        | Metal; Stone  |
| OBJECT ENTITIES | Cooper, DiAnne (created by) Cooper, DiAnne (created by) |

## **OBJECT DESCRIPTION**

Bronze sculpture. Subject is King Leonidas. He is wearing a large helmet with a crest and his beard shows underneath. He has a very long cape which trails behind his back. His armor covers his stomach and he has a uniform with a Greek meander decorated trim. He is wearing armor on his shins which have decorative flourishes and has simple soldiers sandals. In his left hand he is holding a large spear. On his right hip he has a large sword and holster. He is holding onto his shield in his right hand. His shield is decorated with small circles around the edges and the inside has a radiating sun pattern. King Leonidas is portrayed on top of a large boulder. The entire sculpture is on a large black circular block of marble.

The artist DiAnne L. Cooper has carved her initials in the back along with "2007" and "4/50"

## ORIGIN

Sculptures commissioned to raise funds for the Leonidas Expeditions whose objectives are to locate several areas of the battelfield of Thermopylae.

King of Leonidas of Sparta

U.S. Army Memorial, Garmisch, Germany - Bronze sculpture



The King Leonidas of Sparta sculpture was created with the advice of renowned archaeologists and history scholars. The sculpture was commissioned by The Leonidas Expeditions to fund an archeological expedition to Greece.

This scultpture in the collections is a duplicate of the original one she created for private purchase.

Ms. Cooper recieved the Excellence in Service Medal from the U.S. Army's 172nd Infantry Division for the donation of the Operation Iraqi Freedom Fallen Soldier Memorial. She is only the second civilian honored with this award.

## **CITATION**

Sculpture, 2007, National Hellenic Museum, https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/. Accessed 04/16/24.